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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No.	2107.0380001/TUM/NRK				
First Inventor	Terry L. Schwenk				
Title	Injection Molding Nozzle And Tip				
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 1. X CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) Computer Program (Appendix) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Applicant claims small entity status. 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 13 3. 🗓 Specification [Total Pages Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention b. Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention Paper - Brief Summary of the Invention c. Statements verifying identity of above copies - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure 9. L Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. X Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement 10. T Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney 5. Oath or Declaration Total Sheets 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Information Disclosure Copies of IDS 12. **[** Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 13. 🔲 Preliminary Amendment (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. X (Should be specifically itemized) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 6. X Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1,76 Other: Authorization under 37CFR 1.136(a)(3) 17. X The name of the assignee is: Mold-Masters Limited 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Examiner Prior application information: Art Unit: For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS \mathbf{X} 26111 Customer Number: OR Correspondence address below Name Address City State Zip Code Country Fax Telephone Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Teresa U. Medler 44,933 Signature

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Re:

U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application

Appl. No. To Be Assigned; Filed: Herewith For: Injection Molding Nozzle And Tip

Inventor:

Terry L. Schwenk

Our Ref:

2107.0380001/TUM/NRK

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
- 2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Injection Molding Nozzle And Tip

and naming as inventor:

Terry L. Schwenk

the application consisting of:

- a. An Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- b. A specification containing:
 - i. 9 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 3 pages of claims (20 claims); and

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- iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- c. 9 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1, 2, 3, 3A, 3B, 4, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 6, 7, and 8);
- 4. Petition for Acceptance of Color Drawings Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2);
- 5. Three color copies of Figures 6 and 7;
- 6. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
- 7. Two (2) return postcards; and
- 8. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$1072.00 to cover:

\$770.00 the filing fee; \$130.00 fee for accepting color drawings; and \$172.00 excess independent claims fee.

It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)) is provided. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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Petition for Acceptance of Color Drawings Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)

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Sir:

Figures 6 and 7 submitted herewith are color drawings. Applicant petitions for acceptance of Figures 6 and 7 as a color drawings. It is necessary to present Figures 6 and 7 in color to illustrate the heat profile for a prior art injection molding nozzle tip wherein the tip is conically shaped as compared to the heat profile of a nozzle tip configured in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. Therefore, color is the only practical medium by which to disclose the subject matter sought to be patented.

Three (3) copies of the color drawings are submitted herewith. Also, the specification includes the language recited in 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)(iv). Accordingly, Applicant hereby petitions that Figures 6 and 7 be accepted. Early written notice of acceptance of this petition is earnestly solicited.

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